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Members of the College Station City Council
c/o Kim Foutz, Director of Economic and Community Development via Hand Delivery
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Dear Members of the College Station City Council:

I represent David Scarmardo who owns and is developing a vacant tract of land located immediately west of the Quality Suites Hotel on University Drive. I have represented David on this tract since 1997 in his many attempts to attract high quality users. David is happy to report that he has reached agreement for a Hilton Homewood Suites, which is an extended stay hotel, for a four story facility located at the rear of the tract. This development has already stimulated tremendous interest in the balance of his property, and David has commenced design for the next phase of the project which will include a mix of retail uses.

The primary impediment to development of this highly visible and important area is lack of sufficient sewer capacity. The sewer line that must be upgraded traverses several tracts of land under different ownership, some of which do not need increased sewer capacity. Without the power of eminent domain, it is unlikely that any private developer can obtain the necessary easements and permissions from other private landowners to accomplish the increased sewer capacity.

The purpose of this letter is to request that the City increase sewer capacity in the area to promote economic development of the area. We will be happy to answer any questions and would appreciate your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,



Charles A. Ellison

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Enclosures

cc: David Scarmardo